CLAIMS

What is claimed:

1	1. A method for determining certain personal characteris	tigs :	and pr	eference	s of an
2	individual, comprising the steps of:	/			

subjecting the individual to one or more personality tests and recording the results in a database;

subjecting the individual to one or more application specific tests and recording the results in said database;

subjecting the individual to one or more situational action response tests and recording the results in said database;

scoring the results of said tests and classifying the test results based upon a predetermined set of rules and storing the classified results in said database; and

comparing said classified results to a predetermined set of references to develop a set of data representing preferences and other characteristics of the individual.

2. A method for determining certain personal characteristics and preferences of an individual as recited in claim 1, and further comprising the step of:

using said set of data to provide compatible content, advice or personal introductions to said individual.

- 3. A method for determining certain personal characteristics and preferences of an individual as recited in claim 1 wherein said personality tests include the Keirsey Temperament Sorter.
- 4. A method for determining certain personal characteristics and preferences of an individual as recited in claim 1 wherein said application specific tests are selected from the group consisting of personality tests demographics tests, on-line and off-line behavioral response tests, psychographic tests, and life style and quality of life tests.

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- 5. A method for determining certain personal characteristics and preferences of an individual as recited in claim 1 wherein said predetermined set of references include characteristics selected from the group consisting of personality traits skills, competencies, attitudes, beliefs, behaviors, psychographic, demographic and resume items.
- 6. A method for determining certain personal characteristics and preferences of an individual as recited in claim 1 wherein the format of each said test is selected from the group consisting of text presentation, video presentation, audio presentation, photographic/image presentation, and combinations thereof.
- 7. A system for enabling the online determination of certain personal characteristics and preferences of an individual, comprising:

means for subjecting the individual to one or more personality tests and recording the results in a database;

means for subjecting the individual to one or more application specific tests and recording the results in said database;

means for subjecting the individual to one of more situational action response tests and recording the results in said database;

means for scoring the results of said tests and classifying the test results based upon a predetermined set of rules and storing the classified results in said database; and

means forcomparing said classified results to a predetermined set of references to develop a set of data representing preferences and other characteristics of the individual.

- 8. A system for enabling the online determination of certain personal characteristics and preferences of an individual as recited in claim 7, and further comprising:
- means for using said set of data to provide compatible content, advice or personal introductions to said individual.
- 9. A system for enabling the online determination of certain personal characteristics and preferences of an individual as recited in claim 7 wherein said personality tests include the Keirsey Temperament Sorter.

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- 10 A system for enabling the online determination of certain personal characteristics and preferences of an individual, as recited in claim 7 wherein said application specific tests are selected from the group consisting of personality tests, demographics tests, on-line and off-line behavioral response tests, psychographic tests, and life style and quality of life tests.
- 11. A method for determining certain personal characteristics and preferences of an individual as recited in claim 7 wherein said predetermined set of references include characteristics selected from the group consisting of personality traits, skills, competencies, attitudes, beliefs, behaviors, psychographic, demographic and resume items.
- 12. A method for determining certain personal characteristics and preferences of an individual as recited in claim 7 wherein the format of each said test is selected from the group consisting of text presentation, video presentation, audio presentation, photographic/image presentation, and combinations thereof.